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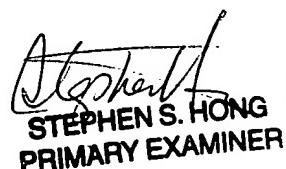
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Advisory Action	Application No. 08/781,696	Applicant(s) Banatwala et al
	Examiner Cesar B. Paula	Group Art Unit 2776
<p>THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE: [check only a) or b)]</p> <p>a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date of the final rejection.</p> <p>b) <input type="checkbox"/> expires either three months from the mailing date of the final rejection, or on the mailing date of this Advisory Action, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of the final rejection.</p> <p>Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The date on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 will be calculated from the date of the originally set shortened statutory period for response or as set forth in b) above.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appellant's Brief is due two months from the date of the Notice of Appeal filed on _____ (or within any period for response set forth above, whichever is later). See 37 CFR 1.191(d) and 37 CFR 1.192(a).</p> <p>Applicant's response to the final rejection, filed on <u>Dec 23, 1999</u> has been considered with the following effect, but is NOT deemed to place the application in condition for allowance:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The proposed amendment(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> will be entered upon filing of a Notice of Appeal and an Appeal Brief. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> will not be entered because: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See note below). <input type="checkbox"/> they raise the issue of new matter. (See note below). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal. <input type="checkbox"/> they present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. <p>NOTE: <u>The following limitations would require further consideration and a new search: "...display...internal file characteristics...by opening the desired file....in a manner free of decoding..." (Claim 1, 7, and 12).</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant's response has overcome the following rejection(s): _____ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Newly proposed or amended claims _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: <u>It is based on the new issues, see note above.</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> For purposes of Appeal, the status of the claims is as follows (see attached written explanation, if any):</p> <p>Claims allowed: _____</p> <p>Claims objected to: _____</p> <p>Claims rejected: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ <input type="checkbox"/> has <input type="checkbox"/> has not been approved by the Examiner.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other</p>		



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